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Western Iowa counties among road funds winners

The Iowa Department of Transportation has divvied up \$56.6 million in money for highway and bridge projects. Some western Iowa counties are big winners.

The money is just a portion of the \$358.2 million given to Iowa for infrastructure work as part of the federal stimulus package.

"Creating jobs by investing in our infrastructure is a critical step to turn around our economy," said Iowa Gov. Chet Culver.

Among the 19 contracts awarded is a \$16.6 million project in Fremont County. Mills County will receive \$14.45 million; Monona County will receive \$1.16 million; and Pottawattamie County will receive \$2.42 million for two separate projects.

Benton, Buchanan, Clarke, Lee, and Plymouth Counties also will receive funding for highway projects. ¶

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